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Lawrence Preparative Meeting
of Friends Established 7mo. 10th. 1886
Sabbath School started 6 mo 1885

Minutes from 12 mo. 5. 1891

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of
Friends held 12 mo 5th. 1891

We appoint Stephen and
Sarah W. Swett as representatives
to the monthly meeting

Herbert Bake is appointed doorkeeper
during the first month of 1892

Owing to circumstances over which
we have no control we think best
to have an entertainment only on

the 26th of this month omitting the tea as agreed to 11th. mo last

The treasurer reports the
income at $362.01
Expenditure 175.95
Balance 186.06
The auditors have examined the above accounts and found them correct

William Wood is appointed clerk and Hezekiah Binns treasurer and Hanson Holdsworth and Herbert Bake auditors for the coming year 1892

Our business being finished we conclude to meet at the usual time next month.
William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 1st mo. 9. 1892

We appoint Abbie E. Goddard and Annie E. Bake as representatives to the monthly meeting

William Hutchinson is appointed doorkeeper during the 2nd mo.

Owining to so much sickness and berkavement we have thought best to omit holding a temperance meeting the 1st Sabbath of this year.

The queries have been read and answers prepared to the 1st. 2nd. and 10th. which are satisfactory and the clerk is requested to forward them to the monthley meeting
They are as follows

Ans. 1 All our meeting for worship and discipline have been regularly held, with few exceptions Friends attend them duly and the hour

is well ~~also~~ regarded

Ans. 2 More love and unity needed, detraction discouraged differences attended to as queried after

Ans. 3 Discipline administered in love, not always timeley but impartialey.

The following named persons are appointed a temperance committee for the remainder of this year

Wm. A. Goddard
Moses Marshall
John L. "
Hezekiah Bims
Herbert Bake
Abbie E. Goddard
Jennie Holdsworth

Hanson Holdsworth requests that his name be withdrawn from the Lowell committee to which we agree and we appoint William Hutchinson in his stead

Our business being finished we conclude to meet at the usual time neset month

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2nd. mo 6. 1892

We appoint Mary E. Hildman and Lillah Binns as representatives to the monthly meeting

Edward Lambert is appointed doorkeeper during the 3rd month

John C. Marshall suggests that a minute be made of the attendence at and the report brought back from monthly meeting in which suggestion we concur.

The representatives report having attended monthly meeting and felt refreshed by being present and brought back much love

to us from our aged friend Nathan Douglas who is visiting meetings in our quarterly meeting

At Gillah Binns' suggestion William Wood's name is added to the temperance committee

Our business being finished we conclude to proceed to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 3rd. mo. 5. 1892

One of our representatives through some mistake did not go to monthly meeting last month but the other attended and felt benefited by being present

We appoint Hezekiah Binns and Moses Marshall as

representatives to the monthly meeting

James A. Marshall is appointed doorkeeper during the 4th mo.

A letter has been received by this meeting from Elkhalet V. & and Mary V. Emery expressing a desize to resign their membership from in the Society. The granting of such request would be satisfactory to us and the delegates are asked to carry said letter to the monthly meeting

We agree with Hezekiah Binns' suggestion that we use the Hymn Books at the opening of Sabbath evening meeting and the doorkeeper distributes them in the seats

Our business being finished we conclude to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerks.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 4th mo. 9th 1892

The delegates appointed last month attended monthly meeting and report being satisfied with the proceedings. The letter of resignation was accepted by the meeting.

We appoint William H. Butler Stephen Swett as delegates to monthly meeting

Herbert Bake is appointed door-keeper during the 5th mo.

We have received two letters of application for membership from Walter Henry Bull and Christina Somersgill respectively which are satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward them to the monthly meeting

Samuel R. Hainsworth suggests that William H. Butler, Hezekiah Binns and John L. Marshall be appointed a committee to look up sites of land for a meeting house and report from time to time which is satisfactory

to the meeting.

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

Signed on behalf of the meeting
William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 5th. mo. 8th 1872

The delegates attended monthly meeting and report an interesting time and the following are appointed as representatives this month namely Elizabeth Priestman and Josiah Binns

Moses Marshall is appointed doorkeeper during the 6th mo.

The queries have been read and answers prepared to all of them, which are satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward them to the monthly

meeting

The meeting accepts the offer of Hannah L. Bailey (chairman of the Yearly Meeting's Temperance Com.) to send a person to lecture on temperance in our meeting if it be our mind to have it next day evening and the temperance com. are authorized to make the necessary arrangements.

The answers to queries are as follows.

Ans. 1. All our meetings have been held regularly & some attention to the ministry & the queries.

Ans 2. Love and unity in a good degree maintained. & adversy we endeavor to avoid detraction. we know of no differences

Ans. 3 With two known exceptions Friends try to live in accordance to the requirements of this query

Ans. 4 Friends generally read the holy scriptures, our testimony to a free ministration of the gospel is maintained

Ans 5 One exception to the first clause and clear in regard to the second clause of this query.

Ans. 6 Friends try to abide the requirements of this 6th. query

Ans. 7 Yearly in all parts of this query

Ans. 8 Friends keep their affairs in a satisfactory condition, promises are regarded as binding, are just in the discharge of all debts and all seem to be living in a reasonable manner.

Ans 9. Friends are careful to keep the records correctly, four

Friends have removed from us without certificates.

Thus/10 Sections administered with mercy, not timely on all occasions, but free from partiality.

Our business being finished we concluded to meet again on the 28th. of this month

Signed on behalf of the meeting

Silvian Good Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 5th. month 28. 1874

The delegates report their attendance at monthly meeting and bring back encouraging words to us which draw our thoughts away from the busy world to the

secret place of the Most High
Samuel P. and Mary Hainsworth are appointed to attend next meeting.

Arthur Sully is appointed door-keeper during the 7th month

We look back with much satisfaction to a successful temperance meeting held during the month made possible for us by the executive board of the temperance committee of the Yearley Meeting which sent to us N.E.A. Gleason of Boston who gave a good lecture on "Who is Responsible" which was well attended

We hope the day is fast approaching when the responsibility will be realized and a firm stand taken against Drink our common enemy

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet again on the 9th. of 7th. month

Signed Wm. Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 7th. moth 9th 1892

Our representatives report their attendence at the monthly meeting which proved a profitable time as they bring information which may prove of future benifit

William Wood and Henry Butler are appointed to attend next meeting

We have received a letter containing a notification of the intended marriage of Walter Henry Cully and Christina Somerskill which is satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward it to the monthly meeting

Moses Marshall is appointed doorkeeper during the 8th mo.

A communication received from Y. F. S. of C. E. requesting the appointment of two friends to cooperate with two appointed by them in giving notice of all our meetings each week in the daily papers and Herbert Baker and William Hood are therefore requested to do this work.

John C. Marshall, William H. Butler and William Hood are appointed a committee to get information about getting a place to have a picnic on labour day and report next preparative meeting.

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

Signed William Hood, Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 8th mo. 6th. 1892

The representatives report their attendence at monthly meeting which was fairly well attended and were blessed spiritually

Stephen Swett and Gillah Binns are appointed to attend next meeting.

William A. Goddard is appointed doorkeeper during the 9th mo.

The picnic committee appointed last month report having received an invitation from the Primitive Methodist Society of Methuen to join them in an excursion to Salisbury Beach which request was made known to a large gathering of Friends held at the home of William H. Butler on the 23rd of last month who were agreeable that the committee might make all necessary

arrangements with the aforenamed Society and join them
This meeting concurs in this action and the same committee are continued to carry the work through in unison with the Primitive Methodists

The queries have been read in accordance with discipline

Our business being finished we conclude to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meting of Friends held 9th. mo. 3rd. 1892

The delegates attended monthly meeting and report having had blessed season although their was a thin attendance owing to the hot weather
Abbie E. Goddard is aphointed to

attend next meeting

John Le. Marshall is appointed doorkeeper during the 10th mo.

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 8th 1872

Our representative reports her attendence at last monthly meeting

Stephen and Sarah H. Smith are appointed to attend next meeting

Wallace H. Goddard is appointed doorkeeper during the 11th month.

William Hy. Butler and Hezekiah Binns are appointed a committee to examine and get prices of singing books and report next meeting.

Our business being finished we conclude to meet at the usual time next month.

Lawrence Preparative meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 5th. 1879

Stephen Swett attended last monthly meeting William H. & Eliza Butler are appointed to attend neset meeting

Arthur Cilly is appointed doorkeeper during the 12th month

The committee on singing books are continued for another month with power to get or purchase or both if it seem best

William Hutchinson desires to withdraw from serving on the Lowell committee which request is granted and Samuel P. Hainsworth

is abbointed to fill the vacancy

Our business being finished we conclude burposing to meet at the usual time next month
Signed William Hood clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2 th. mo. 3rd 1892

The representatives report their attendence at monthly meeting and bring word that they are interested in Building at Boston Hezekiah Binns and Stephen Swett are abbointed delegates to next meeting.

Henry Butler is abbointed doorkeeper during the 1st mo. 1893

The committee on singing books continued from last month report having purchased 32 books 12 at 45¢ and 20 at. 20 cts and expect to receive an additional 12 from Boston

Sabbath School shortly.
The treasurer is authorized to pay for them out of the meeting fund.

The Treasurer reports for the year the ~~income~~ balance brought forward at $ 186-06
Income " 356 09
Expenditure " 199 10 leaving a
Balance of " 343.05

The auditor has examined the treasurer's accounts and found it correct and the meeting is satisfied with these reports.

William Wood is aphointed clerk & Hezekiah Binns treasurer and Herbert Bake and James A. Marshall as auditors for next year

The following named persons are aphointed a temperance committee
William A. Goddard

John C Marshall
Hezekiah Binns
Herbert Bake
Abbie E. Goddard
Gillah Binns
William Wood

Our business finished we conclude to meet at the usual time next month
William Wood clerks

Lawrence Preharative Meeting of Friends held 1st. mo. 7. 1893

The delegates report their attendance at monthly meeting William H Goddard and Annie E. Baker, are appointed to attend next meeting.

Herbert Bake is appointed doorkeeper during the 2nd mo.

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet at the

usual time next month.
Signed William Hood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2nd. mo. 4th. 1893

The delegates attended the last monthly meeting.
Hezekiah & Zillah Binns are appointed to attend the meeting next 4th day.

James A. Marshall is appointed doorkeeper during the 3rd. month.

We have received at this time two applications from membership from Mahalath R. Coombs and Esther A. Harrison respectively which are satisfactory.
Also a letter from William and Maria Hutchinson requesting to withdraw their membership from us.

The clerk is requested to forward these several letters to the monthly meeting

Our business being accomplished we conclude purposing to meet again at the usual time next month.

Signed, William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo 4th 1893

Hezekiah Binns attended monthly meeting and reports that the meeting has become incorporated and we are requested to name two persons to be balloted for as trustees to act in conjunction with three others appointed from Boston

Abbie E. Goddard and Asenath Wood are appointed as representatives

to next meeting

The names of William H. Butler and Stephen Swett are suggested to be balloted for as trustees, and the clerk is requested to forward them to the monthly meeting

The meeting releives the Lowell committee from furthur service as a committee

We agree with the suggestion that portions of scripture be read for 15 minutes on third day evening at the begining of the meeting and Samuel P. Hainsworth William Wood William A. Goddard Herbert Bake and Stephen Swett a committee to carry out this work.

Joseph Walsh is appointed door-keeper during the 4th month

We have received a letter of application for membership from Hartly and Elizbeth T. Stott and their two minor

children Mary and James, which is satisfactory and the clerk is requested to forward it to the monthly meeting.

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month.

Wm. Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 4th mo. 8th. 1893

The delegates attended monthly meeting and report that the names of William H. Butler and Stephen Swett were balloted for and unanimously elected trustees.

Lillah Binns is appointed to attend next meeting

A letter containing a notification of the intended marriage of Herbert Bake and Mary Maria Megson was read

and received satisfactorily and the clerk requested to forward it to the monthly meeting

Samuel P. Hainsworth is appointed doorkeeper during the 5th mo.

Our business being accomplished we conclude purposing to me at the usual time

William Hood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 5 mo. 6. 1893

One delegate reports her attendence at monthly meeting ~~at~~ and enjoyed it very much Wm. Wood and Hartley Stott are appointed as representatives to the next meeting

William A is appointed doorkeeper during the 6th mo

The queries have been read and

answers prepared to all of them which are satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward them to the monthly meeting

The answers are as follows

Ans. 1 All our meetings have been regularly held Friends attend them duly some exception in the

Ans 2 Love and unity in a good degree sustained, detraction guarded against we know of no differences

Ans. 3 With one exception friends endeavour to live up to the requirements of this query

Ans. 4 Friends frequently read the Holy Scriptures individually and most of them collectively, our testimony to a free gospel ministry is faithfully upheld

Ans. 5 With one exception to the first clause and clear in regard to the remainder of this query.

Ans. 6 Friends try to fulfill the requirements of this query

Ans. 7 Clear in regard to the several parts of this query

Ans 8 We know of no excehtion to this query

Ans. 9 The records are properly attended to

Ans 10 Discipline administered in love not always timely but impartially

A letter has been received from the Primative Methodist Church of Methuen inviting us to unite with them in two excursions the coming summer to which suggestion we agree and therefore ahhpoint William A. Goddard Hartly Stott and Hezekiah Binns a committee to act in conjunction with a similar committee ahhpointed by the above society

Wm. H. Butler reports having received a hostal from Joseph G. Smith

[illegible] a Bible Reader who
expects to be with us tomorrow
(first day) and for some days to come
we are deeply concerned that his
ministry in the Scriptures will help
us spiritually

Wm. B. Butler offers his home and
grounds and also to provide a tea
which offer we appreciate very much
and at his request appoint
Robert Widdob Sen.
Elizebeth Priestman
Gillah Binns
Mary Widdob Sen.
Wm. A. Goddard
Sarah A. Swett
Stephen Swett
a committee to help carry out
this project, to have sale of tickets &c.
and that the tea be held on the 3rd.
of 6th mo. if the weather is favourable
and if not to be left with com.
to set a day

Our business finished we conclude
[illegible] to meet again on the 27 inst.
William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 5th mo 27. 1893

The delegates report their attendence at monthly meeting which was very interesting.

Zillah Binns and Annie E. Bake are appointed to attend next meeting

Wallace W. Goddard is appointed doorkeeper during the 7th. mo.

Our business being over we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time 7th mo

William Wood, clerk

Lawrence Preparative meeting of Friends held 7th mo 8. 1893

The delegates elected 5 mo. 27. report their attendence at monthley meeting

Alice Widdop and Abbie E Goddard are appointed representatives to the

meeting held next 4th day

Hartley Stott is appointed door-keeper during the ensuing 8th mo.

We have received a letter containing a declaration of intention of marriage between William A. Goddard and Annie E. Bake which has our united approval and the clerk is directed to forward it to the monthly meeting.

The committee appointed 4 mo. 9-1892 to look up sites of land for a meeting house report having seen three lots and that the most desireable would cost $3000.
They reccomend that we wait until we have $1000 in the bank before we conclude to make a purchase.
This report is satisfactory and we unite with their reccomendation

We look back with gratitude to the impetus given the building fund by our friends William H. and Eliza Ann Battin and others who have contributed both time and money

during the past month.

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet again at the usual time next month

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 8th mo. 5th. 1893

Our delegates report their attendence monthley meeting

Jillah Binns and Ruth Ainsworth are appointed representatives to next meeting

Herbert Bake is appointed doorkeeper during the 9th mo

We have received a letter containing the resignation of Robert Taylor from the Society with which we unite and the clerk is directed to forward it to the monthly meeting

On the recommendation of the chairman of the Scripture reading committee we have decided to discontinue the appointed reading of portions of Scripture on third day evening and therefore the committee are released from further service.

We unite with the suggestion that the excursion committee be authorized to withdraw from participation in the excursion to Salisbury on labor day and that they recommend to the Primative Methodists committee that we abandon the excursion owing to the depressed state of trade

The queries have been read and considered as required by discipline

Our business being ended we conclude to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood, clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 9th mo. 9th 1893

The delegates report that they had a profitable time at last monthly meeting; Hezekiah Binns and Stephen Swett are appointed to attend the meeting to be held next 4th day

William A. Goddard is appointed doorkeeper during the 10th mo.

Our business being over we conclude supposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 10th mo. 7th 1893

Our delegates report their attendence at monthly meeting which was profitable Stephen Swett and Zillah Binns are appointed to attend next meeting.

Levi Hainsworth is appointed doorkeeper during the 11th. month

The queries have been read and considered in accordance with discipline

A suggestion was made that a letter of condolence be sent to John C. Marshall and family from this meeting, expressing sympathy with and a deep interest in them at this time, while passing through so much sickness and praying that our Heavenly Father will help them and draw them nearer to himself.

Hezekiah Binns Wm. Wood and Mary H. Coddard a committee to convey this minute and the sentiments of this meeting to them

We are of opinion that it would be a good thing to hold cottage meetings once a week on 6th day evening at 7-30.

We therefore appoint Wm. H. Butler and Zillah Binns to have the care of and make arrangements for them

Our business being finished we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 4th. 1893

Our delegates report a very enjoyable monthly meeting. Mahalath R. Coombs and Annie E. Goddard are appointed representatives to next meeting

Hartley Stott is appointed doorkeeper during the 12th month.

The committee appointed last month to have the care of the cottage meetings report that four have been held and seemed to be profitable

A suggestion was made that a committee be appointed to nominate persons for Treasurer Clerk and Temperance com. for the meeting and Superintendents teachers &c. for the Sabbath School, Wm. H. Butler Alice Waddoh

Hezekiah Binns and John L. Marshall are therefore abhointed a com. as above suggested

We are united in the opinion that it would be a good time to hold a tea and entertainment on the evening of the 23 of 12th month and the following named persons are appointed a committee to make arrangements for the same viz

Wm. H. Butler
Mahalath R. Coombs
Tilah Binns
Hartley Stott
Mary Widdoh
Esther Harrison
Wm. A. Goddard

A suggestion was made that the Sabbath school be advised to resume the weekly collection for the building fund to which we agree

Our business being over we conclude to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends. held 12 mo. 9th. 1893

Our delegates report their attendence at monthly meeting which was good Wm. H. Goddard and Abbie E. Goddard are appointed to attend next meeting

We appoint Walter H. Cully as door-keeper during the 1st mo. of 1894

The committee having charge of the 6th day evening meetings report that 9 have been held with good results, but owing to other matters claiming our attention and the inclement weather they recommend that we lay them down for the present which is agreeable to us all; with a desire that when we resume them again it may be with renewed zeal

The treasurer presented the following report

Balance from last year	$ 343.05
Income	" 495.82
Expenditure	" 248.35
Balance now on hand	" 590.52

The auditors short having examined these accounts and found them correct

The committee appointed last month to bring forward names for the ensuing year present the following names

for Clerk William Wood
" Treasurer Hezekiah Binns
" Auditors Herbert Bake
" James A. Marshall

for

Temperance Committee

William L. Butler
Hezekiah Binns
William Wood
John E. Marshall
Julian Binns
Abbie E Goddard
Annie E Goddard

These names are agreeable to us and are there appointed to serve the meeting in the places named for 1894

A suggestion was made that we change the holding of our temperance meeting from the 1st Sabbath evening in the quarter to

the 1st 3rd day evening in the quarter which is agreeable

The tea and entertainment com. report progress.

Our business bean finished we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in 1st mo. of 1894

Lawrence Preharatiove Meeting of Friends held 1st mo 6th 1894

Our rehresentatives report their attendence at monthly meeting receiving much benefit in the time alloted for worship. The Officers were elected for the present year

Zillah Binns is appointed to attend next meeting

William A. Goddard is appointed doorkeeper during the 2nd month.

The name of Samuel P. Hainsworth is

added to the Temperance ~~committee~~
committee

We have received two letters of application for membership viz: from Mary Widdon and daughter who is a minor and Matilda and Elizabeth Widdon whose names are satisfactory and the clerk is requested to forward them to the monthly meeting

A suggestion was made that the money received from the tea party after all expenses are paid be put to the building fund which is agreeable

The queries have been read and considered as required by Discipline

Our business over we conclude by proposing to meeting at the usual time next month.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2nd month 3rd. 1894

Wm H. Butler was appointed clerk for the day

Those who attended last month's meeting say that they were blessed by the message given but owing to the time being so full & occupied were unable to attend stop at the business meeting

Mahalath R. Coombs is appointed to attend the next meeting.

Herbert Bake is appointed door-keeper during the 3rd mo.

A suggestion was given and the meeting received it with great sympathy that a letter be sent to Hezekiah and Zillah Binns, that it is the prayerfull desire that he be speedily restored to health and strength and that the meeting be blessed once more with his loving presence

Our business being over we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

Wm H. Butler
Clerk for the day

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo. 3rd 1894

Our delegate reports attendence at monthly mtg. and enjoyed the part for worship very much also says that the applications for membership were duly considered but owing to sickness the original com. was not able to see the applicants so the matter was left over for another month

Stephen Swett and Wm Wood are appointed to attend next meeting

Henry Butler is appointed doorkeeper during 4th mo.

We have received a letter of application for membership from Joseph Batty

who also requests for his three minor children which is satisfactory and the clerk is requested to forwarded the letter to the monthly meeting.

Owing to the removal by death of Hezekiah Binns our treasurer whom we miss so much we are under the necessity of abhointing another to do this work.

We are united in accepting the name of William H. Butler to fill the vacancy.

John C. Marshall is abhointed auditor temporarily in blace of James A. Marshall who is absent from the city

A suggestion was made by Samuel P Ainsworth that a short account of the origin and history of our meeting be drawn up and written in our minute Book for reference and the encouragement of others with which we unite and therefore abhoint Stephen Swett William H. Butler and Wm. Wood a committee to carry out this work.

Our business ended we conclude by proposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 4th mo 7, 1894

Our delegates report their attendence at monthly meeting

James Ashworth is appointed to attend next meeting.

Hartley Stott is appointed door-keeper during the 5th month.

The auditors report finding the accounts of our late treasurer correct and the present treasurer reports having received $22.50 which Hezekiah Binns had on hand. when he died

The account of the beginning of

our meeting is ready but the reading of it is deferred for another month.

Our business being ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preparative meeting of Friends held 5mo. 5. 1894

Our delegate reports his attendence at monthly meeting and said that there was some discussion about the publishing of a monthly meetings directory of names but no decisive action was taken

We appoint Mary Hainsworth and Maria Bake as representatives to the meeting to be held next 4th day.

The queries have been read and answers prepared which the clerk is directed to forward to the monthly meeting

They are as follows.

Ans 1. Our meetings have been held in their regular order Friends with little excention attend them properley and the hour is well observed.

Ans. 2 Love and unity prevails detraction avoided we know of no differences

Ans. 3 Friends endeavour to live up to the requirements of this query.

Ans. 4 Friends with but little exception read the Holy scriptures both as individuals and in their families. The children are encouraged in this religious practice Our testimony to a free gospel ministry is faithfully maintained

Ans. 5 Clear in the first clause and friends endeavour to live up to the remaining parts of this query.

Ans. 6 Our experience the last year considering business depression has been severe but friends have tried to act in accordance with this query

Ans. 7 Clear in regard to the several

parts of this query

Ans. 8 [redacted] We know of no exception to this query

Ans. 9 Records are kept correctly

Ans. 10 Discipline administered in christain tenderness timely and impartially

The reading of the account of the origin of our meeting is united with and the clerk is requested to enter the same in the minutes

Our business being over we conclude purposing to meet ~~at the usual hour~~ again 6th mo 2nd.

Wm Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 6mo. 2nd. 1894

Our delegates report their attendence at monthly meeting at which the queries were discussed and according to the sumaries answers prepared the two preparative meetings appear to be in a fair condition Spiritually

Jillah Binns and Eliza ~~from~~ Butts are appointed to attend the meeting to be held next fourth day

Levi Bainsworth is appointed door keeper during the 7th mo.

We have discussed the question of holding a monthly meeting in Lawrence in the near future, we think it better to have more time to consider the matter so it is refered to next meeting

Our business being over ~~the~~ we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

Wm. Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preharative Meeting of Friends held 7th mo. 7th. 1894

The delegate reports their presence at last monthly meeting at which the Lord provided a rich spiritual feast for all who were there

He appoint Jim Simpson and Silah Binns as representatives to the next meeting.

Henry Butler is appointed door keeper during the 8th mo.

We still think it is better to further consider the question of holding a monthly meeting in Lawrence and therefore refer our decision to a future meeting. But will discuss the matter from time to time as it seems best.

We think it best to release ~~those~~ those who remain of our building committee and appoint another who shall have larger powers. because the work can be ~~executed~~ prosecuted with more energy as our building fund is increasing more rapidly

We there appointed Wm H. Butler and John S. Marshall (who served on the former committee along with our late treasurer) and Stephen Swett and Wm. Wood who shall report to the meeting the progress of the work from time to time

Our business being over we conclude by closing to meet at the usual time in the 8th mo.

Wm. Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 8th mo. 4. 1894

Our delegates report their attendance at monthly meeting which was enjoyable

Mahalath R. Coombs is appointed to represent us at the next meeting

Herbert Bale is appointed doorkeeper during the 9th. month

We are united in requesting our

treasurer to pay over to the treasurer of the monthly meeting the sum of $16.50 as our proportion of the yearly and quarterly meeting's stock

We appoint William H. Butler John C. Marshall Stephen Swett and William Wood as a finance committee for the remainder of the year

~~The queries have been read and considered as reported by discipline~~

The reading of the queries have been deferred until tomorrow

The purchase of a lot of land for a meeting house is left to the decision of the building committee

Our business being ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 9th mo. 8. 1894

Our delegate attended monthly meeting which was very instructive to her. Stephen Swett and Abbie E. Goddard are appointed to attend the next session

We appoint Hartley Stott as doorkeeper during the 10th month

We are united in asking the monthly meeting to give the trustees power to purchase a lot of land as way may open for a meeting house

Our treasurer report having remitted our apportionment of stock to the treasurer of the monthly meeting.

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in tenth month

William Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preharative Meeting of Friends held 10th. mo. 6th. 1894

One of our delegates (Abbie E. Goddard) ~~was~~ owing to sickness in her home was prevented from attending monthly meeting but Stephen Swett was able to go and brings word back that the monthly meeting gave the trustees power to purchase a lot of land as requested by the ~~monthly~~ Preharative meeting.

William C. Butler & Wm A Goddard are appointed our representatives to next meeting

John C. Marshall is appointed door-keeper during the 11th mo.

Our building committee report that progress is being made towards the buying of a lot of land for a meeting house

We agree with the suggestion that a a box be placed at the each door for collect for the building fund and the treasurer is requested to see that said box be obtained.

We also agree with the suggestion that

the collection taken in the Sabbath school the last 1st day in each month be handed over to the treasurer of the school to be used for the school work

The reconed to the monthly mtg that our present trustees (viz) Ichiam Swett and Wm H. Butler be reappointed for another term

The queries have been read and considered according to discipline

Our business over we conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time in 11th mo.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 3rd 1874

William H. Butler ~~reports~~ attended monthly meeting and reports that he had a profitable season.

He is appointed to attend next

meeting.

William H. Goddard is appointed doorkeeper during the 12th month.

The trustees report that a lot of land has been purchased on the corner of Avon and Wilmont sts. in this City it was bought on the 22nd of 10th mo. for $1875.00 The lot contains 7,500 sq. feet 75 ft on Avon and 100 ft. on Wilmont the price was .25 cts per foot.

We appoint the following named persons as a nominating committee to bring forward names for the various offices during the coming year

Stephen Swett
Samuel P. Hainsworth
Eliza Ann Butler
Zillah Binns

William H. Butler and William Wood are appointed a com. to see if the Y. M. C. A. will allow us to have a board advertising our meetings

to be placed at the entrance to the building and if consent is obtained to get the kind o' sign which seems most desirable.

Our business concluded we adjourned, our hosing to meet at the usual time in 12th mo.

William Wood, Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 12th mo. 8th. 1881

Our delegate reports that he was present at monthly meeting and noticed a better attendence owing to the change in their place for public worship viz. the new meeting house on Townsend St. Roxbury.

Zillah Binns is appointed to attend the meeting to be held next fourth day.

We appoint Henry Butler as doorkeeper during the 1st month

of the coming year

We are united in asking the monthly meeting's permission to change our place of meeting for the evening of the 1st of 1st month 1895 because of a request from the Y.M.C.A.

We also agree to hold our quarterly temperance meeting on the evening of the 8th. of 1st mo for the same reason

The treasurer reports for the past year the

Income at	$	1831.75	
Expenditure "		1795.90	leaving a
Balance of		135.85	

The auditors report that they have gone over these accounts and found them correct

The nominating committee present the following report which is accepted and the persons thus named are appointed to serve the meeting in the various places through the year 1895

For Clerk William Wood
" Treasurer William Hy. Butler
" Auditors Herbert Bake and Wallace W. Goddard
" Temperance Committee
The Teachers and scholars of the Young mens and Young womens classes, with John C. Marshall and Wm. H. Butler to assist them

" Finance Committee
William H. Butler William Wood
John C. Marshall William ~~H~~ Goddard
and Mary Hainsworth

Our business being over we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in 1st mo of 1895.
William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 1st mo. 5th. 1895

Owing to satisfactory reasons our delegate could not attend monthly

meeting but we received word from the clerk that they had given us liberty to change our place of meeting for 1st month 1st.

Samuel P. and Levi Hainsworth are appointed to attend the next meeting.

Hartley Stott is appointed doorkeeper during 2nd month.

The queries have been read and considered according to discipline

We agree with the suggestion that a minute be made with reference to our two dear friends who left us last month for the better land, and Wm. Wood and Lillah Binns are appointed to attend to this service

In accordance with the preceding record the committee reported the following minute with which the meeting united expressing satisfaction at its accomplishment.

In the death of our dear friend Mary Turner Goddard the meeting

has sustained a severe loss; the influence of her quiet christian life was felt through all our gatherings. In all these she was ever ready to do what she could for the benefit of others and many can testify to the encouraging words and the warm pressure of the hand which she gave to all.

To her children she was a wise and loving mother and as a friend was kind and generous; she has gone to receive her reward and will ever remain to us a living witness of the power of God to encouraging us to follow in the good way which leads to the city of God.

Linda Scott has also passed out from among us. She was one of our earliest members and for years had a warm place in our hearts for the meeting. She was a dutiful daughter to her parents and the father who remains has our deepest sympathy.

Our business ended we adjourned, expecting to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo. 7- 1895

Our delegates report their attendance at monthly meeting which was both pleasant and profitable to them.

Lillian Hood is appointed representative to next meeting.

Lauren A. Marshall is appointed doorkeeper during the third mo.

We have considered a proposition that Etta Johnston come to our meeting and speak to us on the Iowa Aldah mission in Palestine, we like the suggestion very much and appoint Lillah Binns Mary E. Fiddiman and Albie E. Goddard a committee to send her word that the way is open and also to make all other necessary arrangements for her coming and evenings entertainment.

Our business accomplished we conclude our meeting to meet again

in third month
William Wood clerk

[illegible] Preparative Meeting
held 3rd mo. 7 [illegible]

[illegible] representative reports that he
had a profitable time a fortnight thereabouts
being a minister there from the west
on his way to Jamaica & who gave
some friendly advice & about taking all
our little troubles to the Lord who is a
very kind friend in every time of trouble

[illegible] & Gordon [illegible]
[illegible]
the Lord [illegible]

The [illegible] Harford Bache [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] to change our midweek
meeting from 3rd day evening
[illegible] evening for a

request from a Union meeting of the Protestant churches of the Bible and recreation.

We therefore instruct our delegate to make this request to the monthly meeting and endeavor to obtain for desiring the change.

We have considered the question of holding a monthly meeting at Lawrence and it seems best at present to wait awhile until we are more united on the matter.

Our business ended we conclude by uniting to meet at our usual time in 2th month.

William Wood, Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 4th mo. 6. 1895.

Our delegate reports that he attended monthly meeting and that he had a satisfactory time; also that the meeting granted our request to change the time

[illegible] our midweek [illegible]
[illegible] day evening to [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Shotter [illegible] as [illegible]
[illegible] during the 5th mo

[illegible] with the proposal that
we commence to hold our midweek
~~week~~ meetings on 5th day evenings
beginning this arrangement for the 1st
5th day in 5th mo.

Our Quarterly ended we remain
Yours truly to meet at the usual time
in 5th mo.

Jam. Wood, Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting to
Friends held 5th mo. 4th 1875

Our delegate attended monthly
meeting and reports a large and

visitors at this.

William Hood is appointed to attend next meeting.

The queries Samuel T. Hancock and John W. Marshall as deskmen during the ensuing year.

The queries have been read and answers prepared to all of them which with [illegible] the clerk is directed to forward them to the monthly meeting.

They are as follows.

Ans. 1 — In our meetings have been held regularly. Friends attend well on first days but the attendence at our midweek meetings is small.

The time is generally well observed

Ans 2. Love and unity are maintained. we guard against detraction. no differences obtain

Ans. 3 Most Friends try to live in accordance with the claims of truth as now

Ans. 4 We are glad to notice a growing

interest in this religious duty. The elders are encouraged to make the Scriptures the outward rule of guidance

Ans. 5 All our members are total abstainers, with little exception careful to avoid amusements not consistent with the life of a christian

Ans. 6 Friends are clear in regard to the general tenor of this query

Ans. 7 Careful to observe the various claims of this query

Ans. 8 We believe that most of our members fulfill the requirements of this query

Ans. 9 Records are promptly attended to

Ans. 10 The several clauses of this query are carried out in the manner desired by discipline

The Trustees suggest that the name of [illegible] be taken from the meetings [illegible] and added to the [illegible] with which we concur and therefore the [illegible] is adopted

Our business over we conclude
purposing to meet at the usual time
next month.

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends
held 6 mo. 8. 1895

Our delegate reports that he attended
monthly meeting and had a profitable
time

We appoint Henry Butler as doorkeeper
during the 7th month

Our treasurer reports that the $57.
directed to be paid last month has
been added to the building fund

Our business over we conclude
purposing to meet at the usual time
next month

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 7th mo. 6th 1895

We appoint Wm Wood as representative to the monthly meeting

We appoint Huntley Stott as doorkeeper during the 8th mo.

We have received and read a letter from George Bell and Jane Ellen Bailey requesting permission from this monthly meeting to accomplish marriage with each other.

The friends who are not members with us but attend this meeting have our hearty concurrance with their request.

The clerk is authorized to forward the letter to the monthly meeting

We are of opinion that the time has come for us to build a meeting house and therefore appoint

William H Butler
Samuel F. Wainwright
John G. Marshall
William Wood

a building committee to see that

the same is accomplished and that they shall call together from time to time the heads of families for consultation.

Our business over we adjourn this meeting to meet at the usual time in the eighth month.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 8th mo. 3. 1875

Our representatives report that the attended monthly meeting and were thereby encouraged

Lydia B. Marshall and Esther H. Butler are appointed to attend the meeting next 6th day

Frank Marshall is appointed door keeper during the 7th mo.

Our business over we adjourn with the purpose to meet at the usual time in 8th mo.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 9th mo. 7th 1895

Our delegates report that they attended monthly meeting and had a profitable time with the friends in Boston

We are united in appointing William H. Butler and Stephen and Sarah N. Swett as representatives to the next meeting

We appoint John G. Marshall as doorkeeper during the 13th month

Our business ended we conclude forthwith to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 10th mo. 5th. 1895

Our Representatives report a very enjoyable monthly meeting

Stephen Swett and Zillah Binns are appointed delegates to next meeting

We appoint William A. Goddard and Hartley Stott are appointed doorkeepers during the 11th mo.

We agree to the suggestion made by the treasurer that we take $50. from the meeting's fund and add to the building fund The treasurer is therefore requested to make the transfer

This Preparative meeting is made memorable because just previous to our gathering together we have met for a little while around the corner stone of our new meeting house Our hearts were solemnized as our dear friend Stephen Swett gave the stone the last touch as he said it was laid in the name of the Lord

The queries have been read and considered, as required by discipline

No further business engaging our attention we adjourn purposing to meet at the usual time in 11th. mo.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 7. 1870

Our delegates report their attendance at monthly meeting The part alloted for worship as also the part for business were both interesting.

Ben H. Hainsworths name is suggested for doorkeeper during the 12th. mo. and is very acceptable to the meeting

Samuel P. Hainsworth Sarah J. Ellis John C. Marshall and Asenath Wood are appointed as a nominating committee to bring forward names for the various positions for the coming year

Our business ended we adjourn purposing to meet at the usual time

neset month.

Wm. Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 12 mo. 7. 1895

We appoint Samuel R. Hainsworth and Bartley Stott as representatives to the monthly meeting.

Fred Ellis is appointed doorkeeper during 1st mo. of 1896

The nominating committee appointed last month present the following list of names which is accepted as read to the persons named to serve the meeting for the ensueing year

William H. Butler — Treasurer
William Wood — Clerk
Herbert Bake, Wallace W. Goddard } Auditors

Finance Com.

William H. Butler, William Wood, John C. Marshall
William A. Goddard, Mary Hainsworth.

Temperance Com.
John C. Marshall, Miles Priestman Wallace T. Goddard, Henry Butler, Jillah Binns, Sadie Eller

A committee consisting of ministers, elders, and overseers is authorized to make all necessary arrangements for the opening of the new meeting house

The Treasurer reports

Receipts	$399.30
Expenditure	391.45
Balance	6.85

For Building Fund

Receipts	$2079.89
Expenditure	1788.50
Balance	291.39

This report is very satisfactory to us all

We have received at this time 5 applications for membership viz.
James & Fredoline Southwell, Nicholas Bowling Clara Bower, and Edward T. Lambert.
These names are satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward them to the monthly meeting.

We have also read a letter from Edward H. Lambert and Clara Bower desiring to accomplish their marriage according to the manner of Friends and although not members with us yet attend our meetings regularly we have much satisfaction in hearing this letter read.

The clerk is directed to forward this to the monthly meeting.

Our business ended we conclude our sitting to meet at the usual time in 1st mo. 1896

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative meeting of Friends held 1st mo. 4. 1896

Our representatives report their attendence at monthly meeting and while there were interested in the way Boston meeting house is heated They also enjoyed the part allotted for worship

We appoint William A. Goddard to represent us at the neset meeting.

Samuel P. Hainsworth volunteers to be doorkeeper during 2nd month.

We have received an application for membership from Ellen Barker which is satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward the same to the monthley mtg.

The queries have been read and considered as desired by discipline

Our business over we conclude ourselves to meet at the usual time in 2nd month

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo. 8th. 1896.

Our delegate reports that he attended monthly meeting and enjoyed it very much. The thought of Divine Leadership was emphasized which we always appreciate.

Lillah Binns is appointed as re-

presentative to next meeting

John C. Marshall is appointed door-keeper during the 3rd mo.

An Application from Emma Crabtree for herself and little boy Fred has our united approval and the clerk is requested to forward it to the monthly meeting

Our delegate is requested to ask the monthly meeting to allowe us to change our place of meeting from our present quarters to the New Meeting House as soon as Convenient

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo. 7- 1896

Our delegate reports that she attended

monthly meeting and brings word back of a good meeting for worship and also a profitable business meeting at which they granted us the priveledge to change our place of meeting as we requested last month.

We appoint [illegible] as representative to the next meeting.

[illegible] inform Hervey Bake and Henry Butler are visiting during the [illegible] mo.

A letter of application for membership from Elizabeth Ellis at this time is very agreeable to us.

The clerk is requested to forward the same to the monthly meeting.

No business accomplished we conclude ourselves to meet at the usual time next month and with a feeling of joy because it will be in our new meeting house.

William Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held at the no. of Mo. 1896

Our delegate reports that he had an enjoyable visit to monthly meeting. The message was go ye into all the world and preach the gospel

William Wood is appointed to attend next meeting

William A Goddard and Jen. H Haworth are appointed ushers during the 5th mo.

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We are glad at this time to read a letter from Walter and Clarence Taylor acknowledging for membership and have much pleasure in recommending them to the monthly meeting

The clerk is directed to forward the letter to its next session

We have read a very satisfactory report from the Lunch room, for the evening also which shows that five dollars is left over to be set to the Building fund

Our business ended we adjourn
subscribing to meet at the usual time
next month

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends
held 5th mo. 2. 1895

Our delegate reports that he attended
monthly meeting and found it large this
time appointed William A. Goddard to attend
the next meeting

Enoch Ellis and James Southwick were
appointed visitors during 5th mo.

All the epistles have been read and
answers prepared with which we unite
and the clerk is requested to forward
them to the monthly meeting.
They are as follows

All our meetings ~~are~~ with the
exception of one have been held as
usual.

Friends attend well on First days and

Since coming to our new meeting House the midweek meeting have increased in attendance.

The time is generally well observed.

2 Love and unity is not maintained in the degree that we should like. Detraction not thoroughly guarded against. The desire to avoid differences of opinion.

3 Friends generally try to live up to the requirements of this query.

4 We love to read the Holy Scriptures both collectively and as individuals. We encourage this practice in our families and in all our gatherings together.

We are clear in our testimony to a free gospel ministry.

5 All our members abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage and believe in regard to [illegible]

6 Strive are opposed to the common frauds of this world.

7 We believe our duty [illegible]

accordance with the same

& As there is one mile and one
hundred link left to the completion
of this survey

I record one hundred to

[illegible] Ends this survey and the
annual closing of this book
Dated May 1st 1880

Also present during the adjournment
hereof to meet again on the 20th of
this month

William Hood, clerk.

Commence Minutes of Regular Meeting of Forest
Held June 20th 1880

It is delightful to state that the
regular monthly meeting of the
Board of this Forest convened
William Hood is appointed to act
as at the last meeting.

The abstract Frank Marshall and Henry Butler as usher during the ...

We are agreed that two queries shall be considered at the mid week meeting before the Preparative Meeting for the following 3 months beginning 7th mo 1st ... the queries 1 and 2 and 5 and 6 and all the 10 have been considered

The abstract William H. Battle and Hannah R. Brooks as a committee to have charge of the matter. They to secure a friend for each month to introduce the subject which afterward shall be open for consideration by the meeting.

We have read a letter of application for membership from Charles H. and Elizabeth Brooks and their son Charles R. who is a minor.

These applications are very satisfactory to us and the clerk is directed to forward the letter to the monthly meeting.

Our having finished our exercise business we adjourn to meet at the usual time in 7th mo.

Willis Wood, clerk.

Quarterly Representative Meeting of Friends
held 7th mo. 4 – 1896

Our delegate reports his attendance
at monthly meeting

William H. Butler and Walter Forsythe
are appointed to attend next meeting

Edward Lambert and Samuel Stott
are appointed visitors during 8th mo.

Epistle to Yearly Meeting

Business over we conclude
adjourning to meet at the usual time
next month

William Wood
Clerk

Quarterly Representative Meeting of
Friends held 8th mo. 8th, 1896

Our delegates report their attendance
at monthly meeting and had a pleasant
visit. We acknowledge William Wood as correspond-
ing to next meeting.

We agree with the suggestion that
the clerk take the place of the

table for business at the four ensuing
two monthly meetings, thus enabling
us to proceed a little further with
the business, yet encouraging an
service which may might be had
during the session.

We appoint Victoria Bowtin and
Frank Whitcomb as readers during
the 9th mo.

We agree to hire our janitor
(William A. Goddard) for the year to
be divided as follows
$30. from the beginning of 4th mo. to the
end of 9th mo. and $20. from the
beginning of 9th mo. to the end of 3rd mo.
His work to be, to take care of all
the authorized meetings of the Society.

Our business ended we conclude
purposing to meet at the usual time
next mo.

William Wood
Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends
held 2th mo. 5. 1892

Our delegate reports fair attendance at monthly meeting and says that Friends in Boston seem to feel we trouble it us and think it might be profitable sometime in the near future to hold the monthly meeting in Lawrence several times a year.

We appoint Walter and Minnie Taylor as representatives to the Monthly Meeting

We are united in requesting the monthly meeting to hold 4 sessions a year in Lawrence

If this meets with the approval of the meeting we would suggest that one session be held here in 5th mo. and another in 10th mo. and the remaining two be named by the monthly meeting

Harry Goodlove and Edward Trainer are appointed messrs during 12 th mo.

Our business being concluded we conclude to meet at the usual time in 5th mo.

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 10th mo. 3rd. 1895

Our delegate reports their attendance at monthley mtg. and say that our request of last month was received with Kindley consideration

Zillah Binns and Elizabeth Priestman are appointed to represent us at next meeting

We appoint John W. Hartley and Wm. A. Goddard as ushers during 11th mo.

We request Eliza A. Butler in the absense of her husband (our treasurer) to pay the bill of $2.68 out of the meetings fund to Levi Hainsworth for seed and fertilizer.

The queries have been read and considered at this meeting

Our business over we adjourn to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 11 mo. 7- 1896

Our delegates report their attendance at monthly meeting and bring word that in future the monthly mtg. will be held four times a year in Lawrence viz in the 2, 5, 7, and 10th mo.

We appoint Stephen and Sarah W. Swett as representatives to next meeting.

We appoint F. Bake and Fred Ellis as ushers during 12th mo.

We have read an application for membership at this time from Edward A. Trainer for himself and 4 minor children which has our approval

John C. Marshall, Walter Taylor and Eliza A. Butler are appointed a com. to bring forward names to fill the various position in the Preparative meeting for the coming year

Our business ended we adjourn purposing to meet at the usual time next

month

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 12 mo. 5. 1896

Our delegate report that they attended monthley meeting and speak kindley of of the communion of Friends and the warm welcome they received from them

William H. Butler is appointed delegate to next meeting.

A report comes to us from the meeting on ministry and oversight that arrangements are being made for a supper and entertainment to take place on the 25th inst.

We appoint Benj H. Hainsworth and James Southwell as ushers during the 1st mo. of next year.

The treasurer reports our Income at $4788.17
Expenses " 4461.11

Leaving a Balance of $ 32.70 and we are well satisfied to know that the treasurey is in such a satisfactory condition

By Wort from auditors we find they have escamined these accounts and found them correct

The nominating committee make the following report which is acceptable to the meeting and the friends named therein are appointed to serve the meeting during 1897

Viz	Treasurer	William H. Butler
	Clerk	William Wood
	Auditors	Herbert Bake
		Henry Butler
Finance Com.		Stephen Swett
		Wm H. Butler
Tem. Com		William Wood
		Samuel P. Hainsworth
		John C. Marshall

Our business for the day ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in 1st mo of 1897

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 1st mo. 2nd 1897

Our delegate attended last monthly mtg. as by appointment

William Wood will represent us at next meeting

We appoint Lineas Haggis and Herbat Bake as ushers during the 2nd month

We have considered the request from the monthley mtg. concerning the preparing a list of our membership with their places of residences and think it would be a wise thing to do

The queries have been read and considered at this time

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in 2nd mo.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Mtg. of Friends
held 2nd mo. 6th. 1897

Our delegate reports his attendance at monthly mtg.

Elijah F. Potter Elizabeth Friedman ~~and~~ Walter Taylor William A. Goddard ~~and~~ and Esther Harrison are appointed to attend next meeting

We appoint William Smith and Hannah Baggis as ushers during the 3rd. mo.

Our business ended concluded further to meet at the usual time next mo.

William Wood clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends
held 3rd mo. 6th. 1897.

Our delegates to monthly Mtg. attended with One exception and report an enjoyable meeting

Zillah Binns is appointed to attend next meeting.

We appoint Thomas Harrison and Frank Marshall as ushers during the 4th mo.

We have read a certificate in case of Martha Hartley from the Methodist Episcopal Church of North Andover Dist Mass. recommending her to the care of Friends or any other Christian Society and we are glad to forward it to monthly meeting

Our business ended we adjourn purposing to meet again on the 3rd of 4th month

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Mtg. of Friends held 4th mon. 3rd 1869

owing to indisposition the delegate appointed did not attend.

Minutes read. Jno. H. Barker
are appointed Delegate to attend
next monthly meeting.

We appoint Edward Lamborn, Jr.
Dennis Hoddy, a visher during
the 5th month.

No further business to report, we
decide to adjourn, purposing to
meet at this usual time next with
Haddonfield Monthly Meeting.

Lawrence Preparative Mtg of Friends
held 5th mo. 8. 1897

Our delegates report their attendence
at monthley meeting and enjoyed the
services of Nathan Douglas who exhorted
those present to "work while it is day
for the night cometh when no man
can work

John C Marshall Samuel P Hainsworth

Emma Crabtree and Stephen and Sarah W. Swett are appointed to attend next meeting.

We appoint Thomas Wilkinson and Joseph Barran as ushers during 6th month

We are agreed on the suggestion of S. P. Hainsworth that a meeting for Conference and prayer be held once a month viz. on the 1st day after the preparative meeting at 6 P.M.

The queries have been read and the answers prepared to them which are satisfactory and are as follows.

1ns. / All our meeting have been regularly held some little exception to the remaining parts of this query

2nd Love and unity is maintained but we desire them in larger measure detraction is discouraged and we endeavour to end differences speedily

3rd Most friends try to live in accordance

with the claims of this query.

4 The reading of the Holy Scripture is generally observed in the homes, we also encourage the children in this religious duty and we maintain our testimony to a free gospel ministry

5 All our members abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, not quite clear in regard to amusements and moderation

6 Clear in the several parts of this query

7 No exception to this query known

8 As far as we know friends try to live up to the requirements of this query.

9 Records promptly attended to

10 Discipline administered as queried after

Our business ended we adjourn purposing to meet again on the 29th inst
William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Prebarative Meeting of Friend held 5th mo: 29-1897

Our delegates with two exceptions for which a good reason was given were present at monthley mtg. which is reported profitable to those present.

William Wood is appointed representative to next meeting.

We appoint Frank Appleyard and Edward Trainer as ushers during 7th month

Our business over we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in 7th mo.

William Wood, clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 7th mo. 3rd. 1897

Our delegate reports that he attended monthly meeting with profit

We appoint Hartley Stott Walter Taylor Elizabeth Priestman Elizabeth Ellis and Eliza A. Butler to represent us at nexct meeting

We appoint William H. Butler and the young mens class to have charge of the ushers during the 8th. 9th and 10th mo.

We are agreed to invite Thomas Batty to give his lecture on a trip through Palestine for us on the 30th of 8th mo. nexct and appoint Henry Butler Wm Wood and William H Butler a committee to make all necessary arrangements and that we charge 15 cts. for adults and 10 cts. for children for admission and that we commence the service at 7-30

Our business ended we adjourn purposing to meet at the usual time nexct month

William Wood clerk.

We agree with the suggestion that we blend our evening meeting with the young peoples meeting if they are willing to change the time from morning to evening. And we appoint William H. Butler and Walter Taylor to make the above request of them from this meeting and that the change if agreeable to the Endeaverours be made as soon as convenient

Our business ended we adjourn purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Mtg. of Friends held 9th mo. 4. 1897

Our delegate reports that owing to sickness he was unable to attend last monthley meeting

Zillah Binns is appointed to attend next meeting

Samuel P. Hainsworth and Walter Taylor are appointed a com. to secure a suitable board announcing the time of our regular meetings and have it placed in position in front of the meeting house

We are agreed in the suggestion that the overseers take charge of the lawn

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Mtg of
Friends 6th Mo. 2 1877

This Mtg recommends
that all Minutes to be sent, may
be forwarded by the Clerk of this
Meeting to the Clerk of the Mo. Meeting
instead of by the Representatives
as formerly

We appoint Walter Taylor
Elizabeth Ellis & Minnie Taylor
to attend the next Mo. Meeting
to be held in Lawrence 7th 1 mo 77

Having accomplished the
business that come before us we
conclude Jumping to Meet again in
the usual time on next Month

Asa Thurston Clerk
Clerk for the day

Lawrence Preparative Mtg of Friends held 11 mo. 6 — 1897

Our delegates were all present at monthley mtg.

William H. Butler and Minnie Taylor are appointed representatives to next meeting

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood clerk

At a special meeting called 12 mo. 2. owing to ~~the~~ a bereavement in one of our families

Minnie Taylor and Mahalath R. Coombs were appointed representatives to the monthley meeting.

Our meeting feeling deep sympathy with our dear Friend Samuel P. Hainsworth and family in the loss by death of his 2nd son Benjamin H. Hainsworth

We appoint William Wood Wm. H. Butler

and John C. Marshall a com. to convey our feelings to them in this matter praying that the dear Lord will comfort them in their sorrow.

Our business accomplished we adjourn to meet again at the call of the clerk

William Wood clerk

Met pursuant to adjournment 12 mo. 16. 1897

The Treasurer reports the

Income at	$ 1654.47
Expenditure	1622.78
Balance	31.69

One of the auditors has examined the report and found it correct

William H. Butler is appointed treasurer
William Wood clerk
Walace W. Goddard and } Auditors
Walter Taylor

John G. Marshall
Hartley Stott
Herbert Bake
} Temperance Com.

The above appointments are made for the coming year 1898

As this seems to be all the business which claims our attention we conclude intending to meet at the usual time in 1st mo of 1898

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Mtg of Friends held 1 mo. 8. 1898

We appoint Zillah Binns as representative to the monthley meeting

We agree with the suggestion that glass panels be put into the doors entering from the hall into the school room, and the overseers are authorized to see that the work is done

Our business ended we conclude

purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Mtg. of Friends held 2nd mo 5. 1898

Our representative reports her attendence at monthley meeting and brings word that it was a very helpful session

Ruth Hainsworth Sadie Ellis & John L. Marshall are appointed to attend next meeting to be held the 10th inst.

There being no furthur business we conclude purposing to meet at the appointed time next month

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative meeting of Friends held 3rd mo 5. 1898

Our representatives were not present at our last Monthly Meeting owing to unfavorable [illegible] nearly impassable.

The attendance was small yet we trust helpful

We appoint Lillah Kime and Minnie Taylor to attend our next Monthly Meeting in Boston the 4th inst.

Having accomplished the business of the meeting, in much Christian affection, we are preparing to meet again at the usual time, the 2nd 4th Month

Stephen Grant
Clerk for the day

Lawrence Preparative Mtg. of Friends held 4th mo. 2- 1898

Our representatives report their attendance at monthly meeting

and spent a profitable time amongst friends in Boston

William H. Butler and William Wood are appointed representatives to next meeting

Our business being accomplished we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative meeting of Friends held 5mo. 7. 1898

William H. Butler reports that he attended monthly Meeting and that the business relating to the release Barker and Nicholas Bowling from membership with us was attended to. The representatives to next mtg. are Samuel P. Hainsworth, John G. Marshall, Elizabeth Ellis, Stephen and Sarah W. Swett

The queries have been read and answers prepared to them which are as follows and the clerk is directed to forward them to the monthly meeting

Answers to queries

1 All our meetings for religious Worship have been regularly held, we have had one exception to the meeting for discipline owing to the funeral of a dear friend Some friend are lacking in attendance

2 The hour is fairley well observed

2 Love and unity are maintained to a large degree very carefull to avoidd detraction, as soon as differences are known to exist efforts are made to settle them.

3 Most friends try to live up to the requirements of this query

4 We believe some friends do not comply with the requirements of the first clause of this query, as well as they might do; we are united on a free gospel ministry

5 Clear as regards intoxicating liquors as a beverage, some little exception regarding amusements.

6 We are glad, to be able to say that we live up to this query.

7 While we are gathered to answer the queries, a dark veil óré shadows our country; in the declaration of war, we trust our members will be true to the requirements of this query a heretofore blear in the several parts.

8 We know of but one exception in meeting what this query calls for

9 Records promptly attended to.

10. Discipline administered in Christian tenderness, not always timely but impartially.

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at usual place on the 28th of 5th mo.

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends
Held 5 mo. 28. 1898.

Our delegates report that they all attended monthly meeting.
Samuel P. Hainsworth is appointed representative to nesct meeting.

There being no further business to claim our attention we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time in 7th mo.

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends Held 7 mo. 1898.

We appoint Walter and Minnie Taylor William H. Butler and Stephen and Sarah W. Smith as representatives to the monthly meeting

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 8 mo. 6. 1898

Our delegates report their attendence at last monthly meeting and were very much edified by the testimony of Isom P. Wootton William H. Butler Samuel P. Hainsworth and Charles W. Coombs are appointed to attend the meeting to be held on the 12 inst.

The queries have been read and considered as required by discipline.

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friend held 9th mo. 3. 1898.

All our representatives were in attendence at last monthly meeting and were

edified together and the two Preparative meetings rejoiced with each other because Peace had been signed that day between our beloved nation and Spain

Mary Hainsworth and Mahalath R. Coombs are appointed to attend next meeting.

Our business ended we conclude proposing to meet at the usual time next month.

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 10th mo. 8. 1898

Our representatives report their attendence at monthley meeting

Stephen Ewett John C. Marshall William A. Goddard Martha Hartley and Elizabeth Priestman are appointed to attend the meeting to be held next 5th day evening.

We have received an application for

membership from William T. Bates which is satisfactory and the clerk is directed to forward it to the monthley meeting.

We are agreed that it would be a good thing to visit all the families of our meeting and we therefore appoint Walter Taylor John C. Marshall Zillah Binns and Rachel R. Coombs a committee to arrange for the carrying out of this work.

We agree with the suggestion that we hold our midweek meetings in the rear classrooms for the next 7 months beginning with the next meeting.

There being no further business to claim our attention we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting
of Friends held 11 mo. 5. 1898

Our delegates were present with one exception at monthley meeting which was considered a profitable time
William Wood and Walter and Minnie Taylor are appointed to attend next meeting

We have discussed the advisability of holding a monthley meeting at Lawrence and desire to revive the subject again at a future meeting.

Stephen and Sarah W. Swett and William H. and Eliza A. Butler are appointed a com. to bring forward names to fill the various offices for the ensueing years.

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month
William Wood Clerk

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 12. 3 - 1898

The representatives appointed last month report that they attended monthly meeting and deemed it worth while to make their journey to Boston and meet the friends there

We now appoint Wm. Wood to represent us at next meeting

The treasurer reports as follows

Balance on hand 12 mo 1. 1897 — $31.69

Income	$952.51
Expenditure	" 858.83
Balance on hand 12 mo 1 1898	93.68

Which is very satisfactory to us all

One of the auditors has examined the above account and found it correct.

The nominating com. present the following report which is agreeable to us and we therefore accept it

with one change viz — the substitution of Moses Marshall in place of Walter Taylor for auditor. It now stands

Treasurer — William Wood

Auditors — Herbert Bake, Moses Marshall

Clerk — Walter Taylor

Temperance Com. — John C. Marshall, Miles Priestman, Minnie Taylor, James Southwell, Fredoline " , William A. Goddard, Hartley Stott

Having from time to time considered the question of holding a monthley here, and are of the opinion that the time has come to make application through the monthley meeting to the Quarterley meeting for the privilege of establishing a monthley meeting in Laurence. We

reserve our final decision until our next meeting. We therefore appoint Walter Taylor, William Wood, John C. Marshall, Sarah W. Swett, and Zillah Binns a com. to report on the most suitable time of the day and day of the month of holding the same providing this privilege be granted.

Our business ended we conclude purposing to meet at the usual time next month

William Wood Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting
of Friends. held 1-7-99

Our delegate reported that he attended Quarterly Meeting. We appoint Wm H. Goddard & Wm Wood to represent us at next monthly Mtg.

We authorized our Treasurer to pay $5 as our quota to the union meeting, for the Deepening of the Spiritual Life. Also to pay Chas. N. Coombs for the painting of the door.

We have had under consideration the question of holding a monthly Mtg. in Lawrence, that owing to a small attendance, it was thought advisable to leave it for some future Mtg.

No other business claiming our attention, we adjourn, to meet at the usual time next month. Walter Taylor Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2-4-99

Our delegates report their attendance at the Monthly Mtg.

We appoint the following Friends to represent us at the next Monthly Mtg. to be held in Lawrence 2-9-99

Elizabeth Priestman
John C. Marshall
Esther Swett
Harriet Taylor
Samuel B. Ainsworth
Mrs A. Goddard.

Our business being ended, we adjourn, purposing to meet at the appointed time next month.

Walter Taylor
Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 3-4-90

Two of our delegates reported that they attended Yearly Mtg.

We appoint John C. Marshall & Wm Wood as representatives to next monthly meeting.

It was decided to purchase a Bible, this came to be left alongside the large Bible in the Meeting House, the Friends who sit on the platform were authorized to make the purchase.

Nothing else claiming our attention, we conclude by proposing to meet at the usual time next month

Walter Taylor Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting
of Friends held 4mo 4-8-99

Both of our delegates attended
monthly Meeting.

We appoint Minnie Taylor
& Lilla Binns as representatives
to next monthly Mtg.

We adjourned intending to meet
at the appointed time
next month.

Walter Taylor
Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Mtg of Friends held 5-6-99

Our representatives attended the Monthly Mtg.
The business relating to the release of Edward and Rachel Trainor and their minor children was attended too.

We appoint Wm. Bates. Stephen Swett Sarah W. Swett. Catharine Marshall John C. Marshall. Martha Hartley. to represent us at next Monthly Mtg to be held in Lawrence.

Queries have been read and answers prepared which are as follows.

Ans-1. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been regularly held
Not as well attended by some as could be desired
Time well observed.

Ans. 2. Love and unity in a good degree maintained. Detraction guarded against When any differences are known to exist, efforts are used to end them speedily.

Ans. 3. Most Friends live up to the requirements of this Query.

Ans. 4. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most families but not always collectively The Children are encouraged in this religious duty. We are united in a free Gospel Ministry.

Ans 5. So far as we know Friends observe every clause of this Query.

Ans 6. We comply with what the Query calls for as far as lies in our power.

Ans. 7. Clear as regards Query 7.

Ans. 8. Most Friends endeavour to comply with the requirements of this Query.

Ans. 9. All changes in the Meeting are duly recorded.

Ans. 10. When occasion occurs for the administration of discipline, we try to carry it out in the spirit of the Duty.

We adjourn to meet at the appointed time and place.

At a special Meeting held 2mo. 4-99 the following Friends were appointed a Committee to arrange about the time for holding a Monthly Meeting in Lansdale.
Wm Wood. Samuel R. Hainsworth.
Stephen Evett.

Said Comm.e report and request.

To Salem Quarterly Meeting of Friends. held at Amesbury the 25th of 5mo 1899.

Dear Friends

Having considered from time to time the propriety of holding a Monthly Meeting in Lawrence and with the encouragement of Boston Friends. We now make application through the Monthly Mtg. to the Quarterly Meeting for the establishment of the same. If the Quarterly Meeting deem it best to grant this privilege will Friends please appoint the 1st 4th day in the month at 3o clock in the afternoon as being the most suitable day and hour for the Friends of Lawrence.

The Mtg closed and the announcement made later that the next Prep Mtg. would be held on the 27th of the Present month

Walter Taylor Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative Meeting of Friends held 5th mo. 27 - 1899

John C. Marshall reported his attendance at Monthly Meeting.

We appoint Zilla. Binns. to represent us at next Monthly Meeting.

We adjourn Purposing to meet at the appointed time in 7th month.

Walter Sayler
Clerk.

Lawrence Preparative
Meeting of Friends held
7 mo. 1 - 1899.

We appoint Wm Bates
Samuel J. Hainsworth &
Mary Hainsworth to
represent us at next
Monthly Meeting to be held
in Lawrence 7-6-1899

This meeting is closed
and if it is deemed
advisable to hold another
Prep. Mtg due notice will
be given of the same
by the Clerk.

Walter Taylor
Clerk

At a meeting held 3rd mo. 3id. 1894 while several sympathetic references were made to the death of our dear friend Hezekiah Binns. Samuel R. Hainsworth remarked that it would be beneficial for reference and the encouragement of others that a short account of the origin and history of the meeting be set down in our minute book. This suggestion had the approval of the Representative Meeting and Stephen Swett William H. Butler and William Wood were appointed a committee to carry out this request

They prepared the following sketch which being approved at a future meeting was duly entered in the minute book as desired

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Short account of the origin and history of the Society of Friends in Lawrence Mass. up to the present time 5th mo 1894

In the Spring of 1884 sixe persons viz. Stephen and Sarah W. Swett Hezekiah and Lillah Binns and William and Isenath Wood began to meet for worship every First day morning at 10-30 according to the manner of the Society of Friends.

They met for the first time and for

several months continued their meetings in a dwelling house on Berkeley St. Here the numbers increased so quickly as the meetings were held in the power of the Spirit of our Lord, so that on the first, first day in 12th mo. of the same year the meetings began to be held in a room rented from the Young Men's Christian Association

The first three persons named were members of the Society of Friends and the other three longed for some more spiritual manner to worship their God and Jesus his divine son than they had found outside of the society.

In the 6th mo. of the following year (1885) a sabbath school was started which consisted of 3 classes 1 adult 1 boys and 1 girls with their teachers and a superintendent which has increased both in numbers and interest so that at the present time there are 7 classes viz: 1 adult mixed 1 young men's 1 young woman's 2 boys and 2 girls with an average attendence for the School of 70.

In the same year a devoted minister of the Lord came amongst us and exhorted us to lengthen our cords

and strengthen our stakes whose advise was taken and a larger room obtained from the same association and there the numbers continued to increase so that at the present time we have a membership of 65 with an average attendence of 90

A young Peoples Society of C.E. was organized in the fall of 1889 which has on the books about 40 names and an average attendence of 35, and in which the Spiritual life is fairly well maintained

A request dated 5 mo. 1886 and signed by the following named friends Stephen and Sarah Swett Hezekiah Binns William H. Butler James Hyde William Hutchinson Robert Taylor and William Wood was sent to Boston Monthly meeting asking that a meeting for worship be established also a preparative meeting be granted ~~to~~ be held on the 7th day after the 1st mid week meeting in the ~~meeting~~ month which the monthly meeting united with and therefore the two meetings were established

Through the ten years of our escistance as a meeting we have passed through many changes but we believe the Lord has been with us in it all. We have lost by death removals and withdrawals 21 members, some whom we miss very much. Fathers and mothers in Israel and one recently diseased we desire to mention in particular because he is the first taken out of the original six who started the meeting.

Hezekiah Binns was a devoted friend of Jesus and for several years held the station of elder. His love and devotion abounded towards us all and many loving, wise, and encouraging messages he gave to us by the guidence of the Holy Spirit both in private and public life and now as we remember his devoted life we thank our Heavenly Father that we were permitted to know him and learn the ways of the Kingdom from his life and lips.

We cannot help referring to the services of our devoted minister Stephen Swett who still remains with us and whose work the dear master has blessed

because we have been so many times encouraged to press onward and upward in the progress of the Kingdom. Our prayer is that he may be long spared to us to help and cheer our little meeting.

Nor do we forget the many others who have labored in our gathering, all of whose efforts have we believe been blessed and recognized by the Saviour who will some day call to their reward, and add still more in the better land to the pleasure received in this life by being obedient to his will.

In conclusion we look back with much gratitude that a Friends Meeting has been established in Lawrence, feeling that if it were to cease now (which we hope it will not do) it has served a noble purpose for many have been helped in the heavenly way and learned to love still better the Kingdom of Christ on earth.

We thank our Heavenly Father in Jesus name for his past mercies and blessings and desire that he may continue to own our gathering together.

Signed = Stephen Swett, Wm. H. Butler, Wm Wood